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TORNADO IN ARKANSAS

Storm Swept Path Two Miles Wide and Seventy Long

Fort Smith, Ark., Nov. 23.—The tornado today swept through a section of country two miles wide and seventy long. The force of the storm was greatest in the vicinity of Ozark, Ark., the small town of Cravens, four miles west being completely wiped out. Four people were killed and three fatal injuries. The dead: Mr. and Mrs. John Rosin. The injured: Mr. and Mrs. Hill, an aged couple, who were caught in the collapse of their houses and crushed.

A grocery store in which several people had taken refuge was blown to pieces, and the occupants were more or less injured. Dr. Croker, of Lenoir, Ark., was slightly hurt. Eight people, three men, three women and two children, are reported missing in Cravens. At Knoxville, Ark., the storm crossed the Arkansas River at the mouth of Piney creek, demolishing everything in its path. Two people were injured and several are reported missing.

Calls for doctors have been sent from Barr, a small town four miles northeast of Knoxville. Physicians went to the stricken town on a hand-car and have not yet returned. Barr is almost destroyed. The country between Knoxville and Barr is waste, the farm houses shattered. The path of destruction in some places is four miles wide.

The damage at Berryville was confined mostly to stores and churches. The storm came out of the west at 2:15 o'clock and lasted but a few minutes. The Methodist church was wrecked and the parsonage badly damaged. The Baptist church cupola was blown 150 feet.

A telegram from Knoxville at 11 o'clock tonight states that the storm passed near Russellville and killed fifteen people and injured a score. This report cannot be confirmed.

Advocates Drastic Laws

Cardinal Gibbons commented today on the divorce statistics recently sent forth in a federal census bureau. It was deplorable, he said, that there was not a united effort to combat the evil. If we are to remain a Christian people there must be more stringent laws on the subject, he declared.

Referring to the showing of one divorce in every twelve marriages made by the federal experts the Cardinal said: "But when we come to observe more closely we find that as the Catholics do not tolerate divorces they must be excluded from this statement, which makes the showing actually one divorce in every ten marriages. Could anything be more shocking."

"The data shows that the divorce rate is higher in the United States than in any other civilized country in the world. The marital tie is becoming less and less binding and unless something can be done to check the evil the results must be appalling."

All Over the World.

For some years past it has been customary for Americans in England to observe Thanksgiving day after the custom at home, but the practice has made such progress of late that dispatches from all quarters of the globe go to show that there is hardly a civilized nation on earth in which this American festival was not celebrated last week, by Americans, in the American way, roast turkey and all. From the humblest and poorest of beginnings this religious-social institution has grown and developed with the centuries, until it has practically become a wide-world Christian festival, and one of the most successful propagandists of the gospel of gladness and good cheer. —Albuquerque Journal.

Statehood is Settled Fact

Returning from the white house with senator Penrose, delegate Andrews said:

"The president will recommend separate statehood in his message where he formerly advocated only joint statehood. I believe the bill will pass before March fourth."

E. H. Fullwood has been turning out quite a number of fine brooms at his Texico factory, and with the railroad facilities which the future will undoubtedly give here he expects to increase his plant to quite a large factory and make this a distributing point for the whole southwest. Mr. Fullwood says that this is a fine broom corn country and that there is money in broom corn at \$40.00 a ton, the lowest price. —Texico Trumpet.

Historical Papers Recovered

Santa Fe, New Mexico.—The New Mexico Historical Society has acquired invaluable Spanish manuscripts which date as far back as 1713 and throw considerable light upon the history of New Mexico. These manuscripts were part of the ancient archives sold by governor Pile for wrapping paper and had been preserved by a Mexican family, who, however, had no idea of their historical value. Among these records are the accounts of several trials at Santa Fe and papers connected with the efforts to remove the capital of the northern province from Santa Cruz to Taos.

Matteson-Rusby Marriage.

Miss Agnes Matteson and Henry Rusby were married by Rev. Walter last Sunday afternoon at the Baptist church. There were no attendants, and only a few close friends and relatives of the parties were present. Preceding the ceremony Miss Iva Hooker rendered Mendelssohn's Wedding March.

The bride is a sister of Attorney J. E. Matteson of this city, and one of the firm of Matteson Sisters who have been engaged in the millinery business here for sometime, and is one of Tucumcari's most popular young ladies. Mr. Rusby is a son of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Rusby, of Conant, and is well known in Tucumcari, having been employed by the Whitmore Grocery Co. for a number of years.

Mr. and Mrs. Rusby have a cottage on Aber street where they are at home to their many friends. The News extends best wishes.

Teachers' Association Meet

In spite of the unfavorable weather good work was done at the teachers association held Friday and Saturday last week. The association was attended and addressed at the various sessions by Dr. Gorren of Los Vegas Normal School and Rev's. Ulmer, Brooks, and DuBoise and Dr. J. E. Mannev. Business was transacted and educational matters discussed and plans made which will tell of the future. Considerable emphasis was laid upon the establishing of a free and public library for Tucumcari. Quite a number of books will be given by the teachers present. Mrs. Nichols and Miss Bryant were chosen to promulgate the enterprise locally. The lecture Friday evening by Dr. Gorren was clear cut and inspiring. Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Mannev gave a highly enjoyable reception to the teachers Saturday evening. County Superintendent-elect, C. S. Cramer, was present throughout the entire session of the association and proved himself an enterprising and energetic worker.

Heir to a Large Fortune.

Mrs. S. E. Murphy, who is a native of Roland, Ky., and who has been living in Tucumcari for sometime, is probably an heir to a large estate valued at several million dollars. The following is taken from the Louisville Post.

"Local officials have secured the address of Mrs. S. E. Murphy, who recently lived at 1016 Eight street, by the request of the chief of police at Toledo, Ohio. It is reported that Mrs. Murphy has fallen heir to several million dollars, which is part of the estate of a relative of her husband."

Officer L. L. Ludwick, who is stationed at the Seventh street depot, ascertained today from a friend that Mrs. Murphy is living with two sons at Tucumcari, N. M., where she went last spring for her health. The friend of the officer elicited the information about Mrs. Murphy's whereabouts from a brother, William Hutchinson, a conductor on the Danville & Lawrenceburg branch of the Southern railway. He asked Mr. Hutchinson why his sister's address was wanted by the Toledo officials, and he said that she had been expecting for sometime to hear that she had fallen heir to an estate in that city which might amount to several millions of dollars. Hutchinson is today on his run on the Southern branch. He lives at Danville."

Mrs. Murphy and her brother are natives of Roland, Ky.

Bowling Scores.

A silver trophy is offered for the highest score at ten pins at the Langan bowling alley, and \$5.00 in cash for the highest at coked bat, the contest closing on December 24th.

The score stands now as follows:
TEN PINS
Jack Hawks, 224; Wm. A. Schubel, 220; Alt, 216; Wm. Kahn, 215.

COCKED BAT
Dutch Kid, 56; John Henry, 12.

Ladies may have the allies free of charge on next Wednesday afternoon.

ELECTION FOR BONDS

To Be Called by the Council at their Meeting Next Week

After having postponed the regular meeting last week owing to the absence of several members of the board from the city, the council met in regular session on Wednesday night, the entire board being present.

The following business was transacted:

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The finance committee passed on bill for stenographic services for copying ordinances, and same was ordered paid. The regular monthly bills were tabled until the monthly report of the treasurer had been filed with the clerk. A resolution was passed, and the clerk instructed to notify all property owners on both sides of Main Street from Fourth to Adams, and on Second from the depot to Center, that they must commence as early as practicable to put down cement sidewalk as specified by the city engineer, or that the council would order same done at the expense of the owners of the said lots.

The question of cross walks was taken up, and after a thorough discussion it was decided to have same four feet wide. The clerk was instructed to notify the city engineer regarding same, in order that he could have plans and specifications made at once. Bids on said work will be received up to Wednesday, December 10th, when the contract will be awarded to the best and most competent bidder.

Inasmuch as the school board had not properly notified the council to set a date for an election for the purpose of voting on bonds for school improvement, same to be postponed until the next meeting, when a date will be named by the board.

The board, after having thoroughly gone into the matter, decided to call an election to vote on bonds for the following purposes:

\$12,000 for school; \$14,000 for sewerage system; \$5,000 for erection of city hall, jail and fire department headquarters, and \$2,000 for improvements of streets.

A motion was made and passed, appropriating \$15.00 for railroad fare for a destitute family from Tucumcari to their home.

Report was received from railroad company stating that they would comply with city ordinance in regard to placing arc lights at railroad crossings, and other places designated.

A copy of an ordinance relative to electric light house wiring was received from the board of underwriters, and same was tabled until next meeting, when it will be acted upon.

Tucumcari Hospital

Tucumcari adds a new enterprise to her already up to date business activity. For a long time there has been a crying need for a hospital and Doctors Thomson and Nichols realizing this need have opened a hospital at the corner Main and Adams streets. The doctors are the surgeons for the two railroad systems at this point and recognizing the necessity for emergency wards for the railroad employees have wisely decided to add additional beds for the use of private patients. A modern operating room has been fully equipped and graduate trained nurses will be at hand to care for the sick and injured.

Tucumcari is to be congratulated on having both a hospital and a sanitarium and especially should she feel proud of the enterprise and citizenship of her physicians.

Death of Dr. S. M. Crume

The friends of Dr. S. M. Crume were greatly grieved to learn of his death which occurred in his room at the Glenrock hotel Thursday afternoon at 3:55. He had been sick several days, but was not considered dangerously so until Monday when hemorrhages of the stomach greatly weakened him. The remains were taken to the Koch undertaking parlors and embalmed, and will be shipped to Louisville, Ky. Mrs. Crume had only recently returned to her home in Kentucky and knew nothing of her husband's illness.

The schools have been greatly inconvenienced this week on account of the burning of Warren's Hall, where school for the west ward was being conducted. Besides the loss to the district of the furniture amounting to about \$250.00, many books left by the pupils were destroyed. The building vacated by the Tucumcari Sun is being used temporarily.

Go to Mrs. Severe for both useful and ornamental Christmas presents. At her new location, south of bank.

Bay View Reading Club

The Bay View Reading Club held its regular weekly session on Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Goldenberg. In spite of the bad weather a goodly number were in attendance. In the absence of the president the vice-president, Mrs. Crofford, filled the chair. The roll call on Literature was responded to by the following members: Mesdames Crofford, Chapman, George, Goldenberg, Hinds, Jarrell, Koch, Moore, Muirhead, Nichols, and Sanders. The guests of the afternoon were Mrs. Joseph Israel, Miss Celia Goldsmith and Mrs. M. B. Goldenberg. The lesson review was ably given by Mrs. Muirhead. Mrs. Hinds gave a most interesting review of the magazine article, on Milan. The club greatly enjoyed a paper on the Beginning of Latin Literature by Mrs. V. W. Moore. In the social period the hostess served delicious cake and coffee. The club adjourned to meet next week with Mrs. Hinds.

Quay County Medical Society

The regular monthly meeting of the Quay county Medical Society was held at the offices of Doctors Herring & Moore, Wednesday December 2nd. Those present included Drs. Pring, Moore, Herring, Manney, Nichols, and Thomson. After the regular routine of work was disposed of, the election of officers was taken up for the ensuing year, and resulted as follows: Dr. Herring was elected president, Dr. Nichols, vice-president, and Dr. Thomson was re-elected secretary and treasurer. The Society presented the retiring president, Dr. Pring, with a handsome gold mounted pipe as a token of their appreciation of his excellent work during his term of office.

The society has taken on new life, and their work in the future is expected to be more efficient.

Of Course Its True.

It is not often that a good story of national interest comes out of a Washington police court, but Walter Wellman has dug up one which is not only good, but bears all the internal evidence of truthfulness, and here it is:

Today a colored preacher was awaiting his turn to testify in Judge Kimball's court room, and while waiting he told of a dream he had: "Ah dreamed Ah was in heaven the other night. As Ah stood just inside de golden gate, dar came a rap, and George Washington was announced by St. Peter."

"Let him come up an' sit on mah right side," said the Lawd, who was sittin' on de throne.

"Pritty soon there was another knock, an' Abraham Linkum wuz announced by St. Peter."

"Let him sit on mah left side," said the Lawd.

"Den Ah heard a terrible knock in' at de gate, and de angels all trembled."

"St. Peter opened the gate carefully and den he turned round an' sed to de Lawd: You'll have to get down an' give him your seat, Lawd. It's Mastah Roosevelt."

Anti-Tuberculosis Exposition

A campaign of education in curing and preventing tuberculosis was begun in New York city last Monday by the Charity Organization society. Advertising posters have been scattered over Greater New York and great interest is being manifested by the large crowds who have visited the exhibition being held at the Museum of Natural History. This exposition will continue until January 15th. Among the special features are a lecturing phonograph, rehearsing lessons on cure and prevention; a showing of the New York health development various methods of assistance by example; a workman's fireproof, dustproof sanitary cement house; a sleeping porch costing less than \$12 and outdoor sleeping bags made of newspapers. The tubercular death rate is impressed on visitors by the blinking of a cluster of electric lights every two minutes and thirty-six seconds, the time elapsing between each of the 300,000 annual deaths from the "great white plague."

Bryan to Hunt Turkey in Texas

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Bryan left Monterey for Brownsville Monday. They went to Kingsland to hunt turkeys on the King ranch, between Brownsville and Corpus Christi.

Ladies' Aid

The presbyterian ladies aid met with Mrs. Clough on Thursday afternoon. Committees were appointed to arrange for their bazaar and dinner which will be held on the 19th of December. The meeting next week will be held at the home of Mrs. Jarrell.

CURRY TALKS TO TAFT

On Statehood for New Mexico and Expects Good Results

Washington, D. C., Dec. 3.—Governor George Curry of New Mexico, primed for another persevering fight for statehood for New Mexico, at the coming session of congress, arrived in Washington today to renew the campaign vigorously in anticipation of favorable action at the short session.

Governor Curry called at the White House and conferred with the president, whom he found in full sympathy with the cause of New Mexico, and who gave the governor cordial assurances of support. Tonight Governor Curry left for Hot Springs, Va., where he will hold a conference with President-elect Taft, who is expected to give his aid to the movement this winter.

Fi. Worth & Albuquerque Line

Those who lived in this section twenty years ago will remember the Fort Worth and Albuquerque railroad enthusiasm which prevailed at the time the survey which was run through Poolville, and heavy and hurried cutting done in the Elam Gap, east of town, to head off the Dallas and Southwestern, which was also headed for the same gap but the Fort Worth people got the gap and the Dallas people had to seek another outlet through the breaks further north.

Capt. B. B. Paddock, the greatest town builder that Fort Worth has ever had, spent several thousand dollars of his own money to push this road and would have succeeded had not adverse circumstances been against public enterprises at the time.

Now comes the joyous sound that this road must be built, and it will be a momentous day when the citizens of Poolville and the northern part of Parker county witness the snorting iron horse plunging through the clustered farms of this, the grandest agricultural section in the broad domain of Texas, a section that has practically reached the limit of improvement without a railroad to haul out her products.

On with the Albuquerque road is the unanimous voice of the Poolville people. —Poolville Chronicle.

Odd Fellows' Elect Officers

The Odd Fellows elected officers at the meeting Thursday night, as follows: J. W. Campbell, Noble grand; S. M. Wharton, vice grand; Harry McDermott, secretary; P. Wertheim, treasurer; J. D. Pickering, trustee. Installation will take place the first Thursday in January.

100 Lots in San Jon for \$1,500. Good Terms.

San Jon is on the railroad now being built from Tucumcari to Amarillo and is located in the heart of the famous San Jon valley, 25 miles east of Tucumcari. For information address J. W. Campbell, Tucumcari, N. M.

Christian Church

L. B. Grogan, of Hudson, will preach to the Christian congregation tomorrow at 11:00 o'clock. Everybody is invited to attend this service, which will be held over the Chrystal theater.

W. S. Mitchell left today for Cincinnati, Iowa for a stay of several months.

The Sun Printing Co., has moved into the Hittson Building on East Main Street.

See Mrs. R. E. Severe, for beautiful back combs suitable for Christmas gifts.

Miss Ulmer has begun her school in the Methodist church building and is starting out with splendid prospects.

Mrs. Severe has those dainty delicate perfumes and sachet powders and all miladi's accessories for toilet.

E. O. Allred was in town from San Jon to meet Ralph Skinner one of his neighbors who has been visiting relatives in Kansas.

L. H. Hitch is in town today from Quay, and says the farmers out there are wearing a long smile since the snow, and all of them are making preparations to plow.

County Commissioner Wash Batson, H. F. Phipps and E. E. Hedgecock, U. S. Commissioner, all of Ende, are in town today attending to business matters.

H. J. Stockett returned Friday from Hedrick, Okla., where he went to settle the estate of his daughter whose husband died some weeks ago. His daughter came home with him and will reside here in the future.

It is estimated that the snowfall in Quay county last week was an average of about twenty-two inches. Farmers coming into town tell the News that they believe the ground is wet to a depth of two feet. This will put a fine season in the ground, and will almost make the wheat crop.

Tucumcari Townsman Honored

Chester D. Stevens, Grand Master of Masons in the Territory of New Mexico, has appointed John E. Whitmore of Tucumcari, District Deputy Grand Master, for the fourth masonic district of New Mexico, which is composed of the territory in which the lodges of Tucumcari, Logan, and Clayton are situated.

Mr. Whitmore is one of the charter members of Tucumcari Lodge No. 27, A. F. and A. M. He is an enthusiastic mason, and deserves the honor conferred upon him. The News congratulates Mr. Whitmore on his preferment.

Silver Touches Low Water Mark

New York, Dec. 2.—The recent steady decline in the price of silver to 47 7/8, the lowest level in some years, is ascribed chiefly to the falling off in the demand for metal at home and abroad.

In the domestic market the demand is greatly reduced by the industrial depression of the year. In India, which always is an important market, the revolutionary movement has served to impart a speculative tone to operations in the silver market, while China has bought comparatively little bar silver for months past.

There was a further decline today when silver was quoted at 47 1/2.

School Children Entertain

A very delightful entertainment was given last Friday afternoon by the pupils of the fifth grade to their parents under the able direction of their teacher Mrs. Bess. The following is the program:

Quotations.
Song—The New America.
Recitation—Clinton Wharton.
Recitation—Thomas Gentry.
Song—Thanksgiving.
Dialogue—The return of the Little Son.

Characters:
Mrs. Williams—Edith Smith.
Roger, her son—Leonard Buchanan.
Father Peregrine—Hudson Bays.
Patience—Winnie Vaughn.
Prudence—Mable Walker.
Relief—Mary Kesner.
Mercy—Vera Blankenship.
Andrew, little son of Mrs. Williams—Fred Morgan.
Indian—Edward Morgan.
Recitation—Enos Manny.
Recitation—Lesa Bays.
Song—Over the River.
Fruits of the Harvest.
Drill.

Gusta Kuhlman, Eula Head, Merle Downin, Madge Downin, Ruth McMullen, Roy Phillips, Corbett Baker, Wayne Neal, Clarence Wallis, Rhea DeOliveria.
Song—America.

Much praise is due Mrs. Bess, the efficient teacher, who has shown herself through this entertainment a capable drill master. And much credit is due the pupils who took part in the exercises and responded so satisfactorily to their teacher's efforts.

The entertainment was greatly appreciated by those present.

Is Wanted In Alamogordo

John N. Webb, an El Paso cattle buyer and member of the firm of Brock, Webb & Co., commission brokers, having offices in the Buckler building, was placed under arrest Saturday by deputy United States marshal H. R. Hillebrand. The charge against Webb is alleged conspiracy to smuggle Chinese into the country, and was returned at Alamogordo, where a number of Chinese were taken from a Southwestern train and placed in jail last summer. The case is similar to the one against Carl Adamson and William Sullivan, charged with bringing Chinese into the country. These two are now under arrest on the charge of conspiracy to smuggle, Sullivan having given bond for his appearance and Adamson, who was with Pat Garrett at the time of his killing, is in the Alamogordo jail awaiting trial.

They were arrested in July while driving a wagon in which 16 Chinese were said to have been hidden. The specific charge against Webb is said to be that he assisted these two men to procure a wagon and team with which the Chinese were smuggled across the river near Juarez. The wagon, it is claimed, was procured at the Lowe corral in El Paso by Adamson and Sullivan, acting upon instructions given by Webb. In his defence Webb is said to have explained that he did not know the purpose to which the wagon and team were to be put, and that when the men asked him to tell them where they could rent a wagon he accommodated them by referring them to the Lowe corral.

Webb gave bond to the amount of \$500 for his appearance at Alamogordo, with A. M. Robinson and Dan M. Jackson as bondsman. Webb is the purchasing agent for the Robinson market.

The case was called in Alamogordo Tuesday.

WILL ESTABLISH LIBRARY

Teachers' Association Report On Benefits of Same

A small but energetic number of teachers gathered around the stove in the South Methodist Church last Saturday morning and held a session of it's association which lasted well into the afternoon. The genuine winter weather outside kept away everybody who was not vitally interested in those questions that concern the school. The discussions of the papers amounted to real heart-to-heart talks. We are too young as a town to be fully alive and awake to all that concerns our welfare, but the sentiments called forth by the discussion of Mrs. Nichols' paper on the advantages of a public library, showed that the time is ripe for the establishment of at least one modern institution. Of course, the wedge will be small but it is a wedge, and the dozen or so of books gathered together by the teachers, ex-teachers and prospective teachers and all who are interested in the cause of education will create a gap wide enough to hold all the thousands of volumes sure to follow in their wake. Mrs. Nichols had with her a little bundle of books upon which were pledged books or money by every teacher present. Mr. Galloway, the president, dreams of the day when we can put fifty or sixty volumes in a little locked bookcase and send it to every small community in the county, to be exchanged every three or six months for another. Miss Williams spoke of school libraries that had borne fruit under her guidance. Mr. Williams pleaded for a Y. M. C. A. library. Miss Bryan suggested that we add to the library fund by having an entertainment after Christmas. Please do not refuse if you are asked to take part, no cause was ever less partisan or more worthy. Others said warmly encouraging and helpful things, all of which were put on a working basis when Mr. Cramer offered a corner in his office for the library, urging at the same time the necessity of some pleasant occupation and entertainment for the young men of the town in their leisure hours. Ask yourself where they are obliged to make their social centers now. Mrs. Nichols accepted both that and all the gifts on behalf of the library association, that will be at the proper time. Look in the papers each week for news of progress. We think that one-hundred books will warrant an opening to borrowers. Any one may donate books, magazines, or money which may be sent to Mrs. Nichols who will keep a strict account and guard over every precious penny and book. Planting a library is like planting a tree. To be sure we enjoy planting but future generations even the next one to our own, will rise up and call us blessed.

The Largest Safe in New Mexico.

C. W. Scott, a representative of the Mosler Safe Co., of Hamilton, Ohio, spent several days in the city this week. The company has sold to the Federal Banking Co., of this city, a New York Mangense safe, which is claimed to be absolutely burglar proof. The safe is seven feet high and weighs eight tons, and when this safe is installed the Federal Banking Co., will have the largest safe that has ever been sold in the Territory of New Mexico.

Epworth League Program.

To be given at the Methodist church, December 6th.
Subject—The Life of Assurance.
Scripture Lesson: Rom. 8:14-17, 38-39; Eph. 1:13-14.
Leader: H. H. McElroy.
Opening Song.
Responsive Reading, Psalm 32.
Prayer.

Song.
Lesson read and explained by the leader.
What is Assurance?
By O. C. Hammons.

What are the Obstacles in the way of Assurance? By J. H. Eady.
Is there any blessedness in the religious life without assurance?
By Wiley Stockett.

Song.
Can the Christian run with patience the race without assurance?
By Miss Rena Terry.

Can one afford to risk living without the knowledge of assurance?
By Mrs. Nannie Parchman.

Prayer, a general petition by the League.
Song.
Benediction.

Card of Thanks.

The ladies of the Catholic church desire to thank the business men and others who contributed to, and patronized their bazaar and helped to make it a success.